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In re application of

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For: ADDRESS CONVERTER FOR GATEWAYS INTERCONNECTING NETWORKS OF
DIFFERENT ADDRESS FORMATS

RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated April 9, 2003, please consider the remarks as
submitted herewith.

REMARKS

Claims 1-10 are all the claims pending in the application.

Claims 1-2, 4, 6-7, and 9 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as being anticipated by
Backes et al. (US 5,956,335: hereafter "Backes"). This rejection is respectfully traversed.

Applicants submit that claims 1 and 6 are patentable over the cited reference. For
example, the present claims include transmitting from a first network, a packet with a packet
header containing first address data conforming to the first network format and an auxiliary
header with second address data conforming to a second network format. Applicants submit that
Backes does not disclose or suggest the claimed features.